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<b>DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION</b> (37 CFR 1.63)		Attorney Docket No.	IN-9507
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		Application Number	09/898,317
		Filing Date	July 3, 2001
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**THICKENERS FOR PAPER DYE COMPOSITIONS**

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